

TCRP Program – Application Approval Project # 74.5 – August 2005

San Diego Pacific Surfliner; double track intercity rail line within San Diego County, add maintenance yard in San Diego County.

(\$ X 1,000)

Estimated Project Cost: \$6,303

TCRP Funds – Subproject #74.5: \$3,288

TCRP Funds for Project #74 \$47,000

Lead Agency: San Diego North
County Transit District
(NCTD)

TCRP Funds covered by application: **\$3,288**

Phases(s) covered by application: 4

Implementing Agency: NCTD

TCRP allocations approved: \$1,635

for Phase(s): 4

Advance approved: \$0

for Phase(s): N/A

Project Summary: The overall Pacific Surfliner TCRP program in San Diego includes several double track projects to provide improved reliability and on-time performance of the Pacific Surfliner intercity rail line in San Diego County. The Program also includes the construction of a new maintenance facility so overnight and turnaround maintenance does not have to be performed at the downtown Santa Fe Depot. The Pacific Surfliner Corridor currently provides 11 round trips between San Diego and Los Angeles. For purposes of implementation, the project has been split into individual sub-projects. They are:

- Sub-Project #74.1 - Oceanside Double Track Project (\$6,000,000 TCRP);
- Sub-Project #74.2 - PEIR/EIS and miscellaneous improvements to the LOSSAN Corridor [\$15,262,000 total TCRP (\$2,498,000 for PEIR/EIS, \$12,764,000 for other misc. improvements), \$156,374,450 TBD, Total cost = \$172,086,000];

The miscellaneous improvements under TCRP #74.2 will be defined by individual applications as fully funded projects meeting all conditions are identified. Each improvement project must have independent utility and be environmentally cleared independent of the PEIR/EIS.



- Sub-Project #74.3 - Maintenance yard and improvements (\$22,000,000 TCRP (Not yet programmed), \$10,000,000 STIP, \$1,000,000 Amtrak, Total Cost = \$33,000,000);
- Sub-Project #74.4 -Track and signal improvements at Fallbrook Junction (\$450,000 TCRP, \$1,300,000 STIP, \$150,000 Amtrak, Total Cost = \$1,900,000);
- **Sub-Project #74.5 – Encinitas Passing Track** (\$3,288,000 TCRP, \$3,000,000 P116, \$15,000 Local, Total Cost = \$6,303,000). TCRP Sub-Project #74.5 will construct a 1.7-mile passing track on the east side of the existing main track in the City of Encinitas.

Cost and Schedule (\$ x 1,000)

Phase	Scope	Start	End	Cost
1	Environmental	7/01	8/01	
2	Plans, Specifications & Estimates	8/01	9/01	\$160
3	Right of Way			
4	Construction	7/03	8/04	\$6,143
Total:				\$6,303

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Funding Plan (\$ x 1,000)

Source	Type		Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Total
TCRP	State	Committed				\$3,288	\$3,288
		Proposed					
Prop 116	State	Committed		\$145		\$2,855	\$3,000
		Proposed					
TransNet	Local	Committed		\$15			\$15
		Proposed					
	Totals:	Committed		\$160		\$6,143	\$6,303
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AB 1335 Letter Funding Plan (\$ x 1,000)

Source	Type		Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Total
Proposition 116 & Local Funds	Local	Totals:				\$3,288	\$3,288
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Prior TCRP Action:

- Original application to program Phase 4 – Construction was approved November 7, 2002 (Resolution TA-02-15).
- An AB 1335 Letter of No Prejudice in the amount of \$3,288,000 for Phase 4 was approved on September 24, 2003 (TL-03-01).
- An allocation totaling \$1,635,000 to liquidate the LONP was approved on August 18, 2005 (Resolution TFP-05-11). There are savings totaling \$1,653,000 for Phase 4.

Status of Conditions:

- Prior to the Commission considering a TCRP allocation for the passing track, as agreed to by the two local agencies, the following conditions must be met, per Resolution TA-02-15:
 - that the signed agreement between NCTD and Encinitas shall be presented to Commission.
 - that TCR application(s) and concurrent allocation requests shall be submitted in a timely manner on Encinitas' behalf, by the consenting eligible applicant agency (NCTD or Department), for Commission consideration and action,
 - to fund Phase 1 work for pedestrian under/over crossings. Specifically, the application would fund preliminary engineering, environmental approval and community outreach activities for a project to construct pedestrian crossing(s); and
 - to fund pre-Phase 1 work (study) for a grade separation. Specifically, the application would fund the preparation of a Project Study Report (PSR), which would include preliminary engineering and environmental analysis for grade separation at Leucadia Boulevard. If local funding is available from SANDAG, then it should participate in funding this PSR.
- The Commission **expects substantial local participation** from NCTD and Encinitas through SANDAG to fund the capital costs (right of way and construction) for the grade separation.

Discussion/Issues: NCTD has filed a statutory exemption under CEQA. The federal Surface Transportation Board found NCTD to be an interstate commerce carrier and is not subject to pre-approval permits or environmental requirements by the State or the City.